

P. R. O. themselves to the men of warr now arrived to saile as afore-  
 Maryland said for the future have given orders th' your Honor's instruc-  
 B. I. Vol. 2, tions shall be punctually observed, your Honor shall have from  
 B. E. the Committee a more satisfactory account of the persons con-  
 cerned for the present Government the names of present Col-  
 lectors are M<sup>r</sup> Nehemiah Blakiston for Potomack. M<sup>r</sup> Geor:  
 Leyfield for Pocomoke & M<sup>r</sup> Andrew Abbington for Potuxent  
 & the Bay district who succeeded M<sup>r</sup> Payne by appointment  
 of the present power here, with whom will take care th' your  
 Honor have an account of the Shipps cleared as required.  
 I humbly beg your pardon for this trouble being

Your Hon<sup>rs</sup> most faithfull servant, In<sup>o</sup> Coode

(Endorsed)

Maryland 24 Iune 1690.

Copy of M<sup>r</sup> Coode's letter to  
 Captain Nichol森  
 Rec<sup>d</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 1690.

p. 31 M<sup>r</sup> Smithson to the Bishop of London

Talbott County in Maryland  
 30<sup>th</sup> of Iune 1690.

My Lord,

The straights and difficulties th' the subscriber and many  
 other hear ly under have enforced this boldness of writinge  
 otherwise not justifiable and though the subscriber be nott yett  
 the cause for which he writes is worthy y<sup>r</sup> consideration and  
 this addresse had not been prefer'd by one alone nor to your  
 Lordshipp but immediately to their Majesties were it nott that  
 all people are openly threatened and severall (for endeavor-  
 inge a publick petition to sett forth the state of this province)  
 imprisoned by Iohn Coode, In<sup>o</sup> Edmundson and other their  
 Associates who first by dispersinge untrue reports of great  
 armies of Indians and French papists invading us, did begett  
 unnecessary fears in the people and havinge disposed them  
 soe to mutiny afterwards made further insurrection and  
 extorted the lawfull government from the Lord Baltemore  
 seized his revenue and deteind it. Of which Coode and many  
 his accomplices to give a true character would seem soe like  
 revilinge th' it would not be acceptable to your Lordshipp to  
 hear. They dayly boast of the King's commission (meaninge  
 I suppose the King's letter and that they and their favorers  
 are owned the King's best subjects, and that they shall be  
 further confirmed and thereupon they) (Especially the said  
 Coode) in expresse tearmes threaten th' I and other my fellow  
 prisoners protestants (intirely concurring with the Church of